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For: **SIGNAL OVERRIDE FOR** §
SIMULATION MODELS §

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please add claims 5-12 as follows

1   5.   A system for overriding a signal during model simulation, said system comprising:

2   processing means for instantiating an override signal port for delivering an override signal
3   from an instrumentation entity to a signal selection means, wherein said signal selection means
4   selects between said signal and said override signal;

5   processing means for declaring a signal override during model simulation; and

          processing means responsive to said declared signal override, for selecting said override
signal utilizing said signal selection means.

6.   The system of claim 5, wherein said processing means for declaring a signal override
further comprises processing means for instantiating an override enable port for delivering an
override enable signal.

7.   The system of claim 6, further comprising processing means for delivering said override
enable signal from said override enable port to said signal selection means.

1   8.   The system of claim 6, further comprising:

2   processing means for instantiating a latch that stores an override disable bit; and

3   processing means for combining said override disable bit with said override enable signal
4   within a logic gate to produce a combined selection signal that controls said signal selection

5   means.

1   9.   A computer program product for overriding a signal during model simulation, said
2   computer program product comprising:

3   processing means for instantiating an override signal port for delivering an override signal
4   from an instrumentation entity to a signal selection means, wherein said signal selection means
5   selects between said signal and said override signal;

6   instruction means for declaring a signal override during model simulation; and

7   instruction means responsive to said declared signal override, for selecting said override
8   signal utilizing said signal selection means.

10.   The computer program product of claim 9, wherein said instruction means for declaring a
signal override further comprises instruction means for instantiating an override enable port for
delivering an override enable signal.

11.   The computer program product of claim 10, further comprising instruction means for
delivering said override enable signal from said override enable port to said signal selection
means.

1   12.   The computer program product of claim 10, further comprising:

2   instruction means for instantiating a latch that stores an override disable bit; and

3   instruction means for combining said override disable bit with said override enable signal

4   within a logic gate to produce a combined selection signal that controls said signal selection

5   means.

REMARKS

Figure 8C was included with filing of the Patent Application, as indicated in the specification. However, the figure corresponding to **Figure 8C** was originally mislabeled as **Figure 8B**. Please find attached the amended figures in which **Figures 8, 8A and 8B**, have been re-labeled as **Figures 8A, 8B and 8C**, consistent with the specification.

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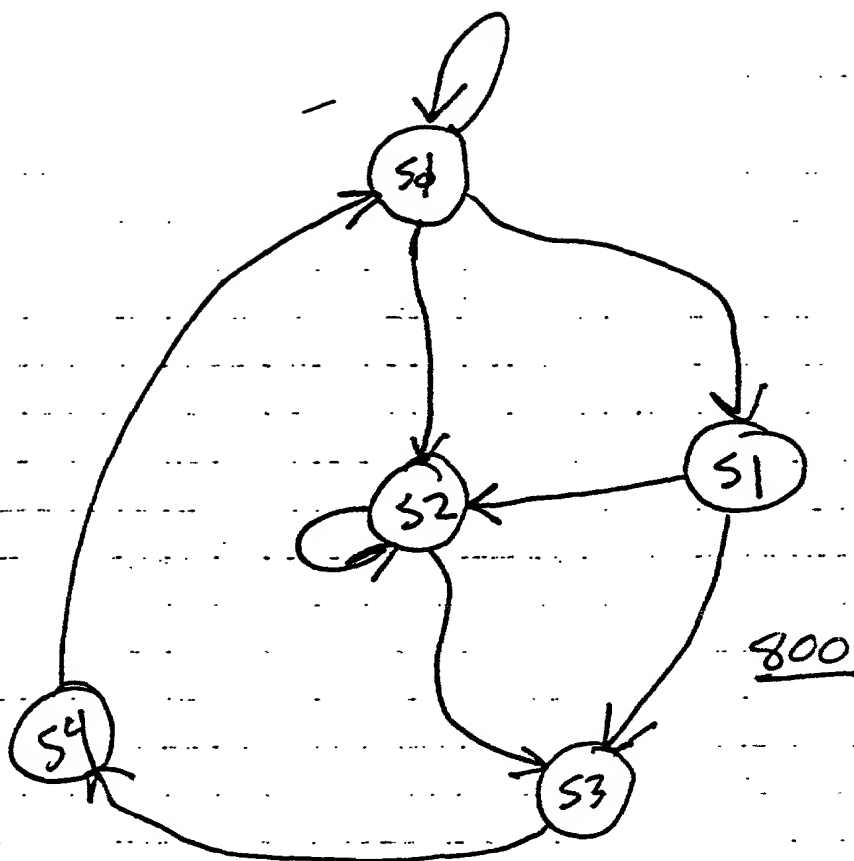(512) 343-6116

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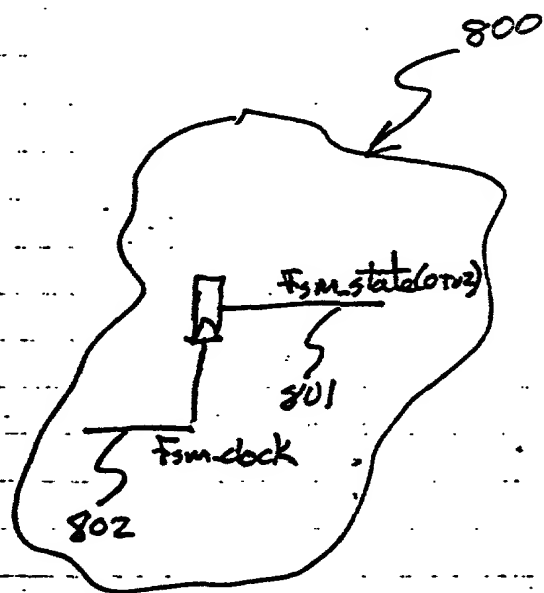
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FIG. 8A (Amended)

(Prior Art)

entity Fsm: Fsm

850

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Fsm.state(OTW2)

801

Fsm.clock

802

FIG. 8B   (Amended)
(Prior Art)

```vhdl
entity FSM IS
    PORT (
        .... ports for entity Fsm .....
    );

ARCHITECTURE Fsm of FSM IS

BEGIN

    .... HDL code For Fsm and rest of the entity...

    fsm_state(0 to 2) <= ... signal 801 .....
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853 ⎰ --!! Embedded Fsm   : exampleFsm;
859 ⎰ --!! clock   : (Fsm_clock);
854 ⎰ --!! state_vector   : (Fsm_state(0 to 2));
855 ⎰ --!! states   : (s0, s1, s2, s3, s4);
856 ⎰ --!! state_encoding   : ('000', '001', '010', '011', '100');
857 ⎡ --!! arcs   : (s0=>s0, s0=>s1, s0=>s2,
     ⎢ --!!   s1=>s2, s1=>s3, s2=>s2,
     ⎣ --!!   s2=>s3, s3=>s4, s4=>s0);
858 ⎰ --!! end Fsm;

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END;
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FIG. 8C (Amended)